## JOHNSON COUNTY KANSAS



## Johnson County Government and the Board of County Commissioners welcome you to our Inaugural Juneteenth observance!

Juneteenth is a recognition and celebration of the end of slavery in the United States. A combination of the terms "June" and "nineteenth," this holiday - taking place on June 19 marks the date on which Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865, ensuring the freedom of all enslaved people in the state.

This year, Johnson County is celebrating Juneteenth under the theme "Learn the Past...Change the Future." We are not the first organization in the community to commemorate and celebrate this momentous day, nor will we be the last. We appreciate the collaboration with several partners marking Juneteenth in JoCo in multiple, meaningful ways. We also thank you for joining us in our firstever observance.

## For more information on

Juneteenth please visit:
jocogov.org/juneteenth

## Welcome \& poem

Nathan Louis Jackson, M.C.
Presentation of Flags
Johnson County Sheriff's Office

## Invocation

Reverend Bobby Love
"Lift Every Voice and Sing"
Erin Chambers, vocalist
Juneteenth flag presentation
\& proclamation
Board of County Commissioners
A performance by Step Movement
Introduced by Little Miss Juneteenth
Historical Reflection
Kim Warren, Ph.D.
Featured Speaker
Virginia Sewing
Closing Invocation
Reverend Bobby Love
Final Comments \& closing song
Nathan Louis Jackson

